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SHIELD G-MAN CLUB

BULLETIN NO. 16

DUSTY and I have some real good news, which we pass on to you! This month a brand new Zip Comics is going to be on your favorite newsstand. Just wait 'til you see that book with so many new funny features you won't believe your eyes. First, there's Senor Banana. The name itself sounds funny, doesn't it? Well, just read the story! It's twice as funny! Then there are the Applejacks, a brand new Hill Billy yarn, and Ginger, a regular girl, who has joined the Shield G-Man Club. So don't forget, gang, and get the new Zip Comics, when it comes around to your neighborhood.

Now I want to say a few words to Sgt. Joe Higgins. Yessir, there's a soldier in the United States Armed Forces with the same name as mine, and he wrote in to tell me about it. Joe's stationed in San Diego, California, and here is part of the swell letter he wrote me: "I get a kick out of your Pep Comics . . . the other boys here in camp like Pep Comics very much too." Well, Joe, it sure feels good to have a Sergeant in the army who bears the same name I do, and who is doing his best for his country. Keep it up, and we'll have the Axis licked in no time! I'll try to get some more books to you as soon as possible.

Well, members, there you have it. When we all get behind boys like Joe, who are sacrificing everything for this great country of ours, we'll have the war over in no time.

Outstanding members this month:

GEORGE SCHARLOTT
1318 Elwood Road
East Cleveland, Ohio

BELLE YANKOW
1181 Union Street
Warren, Ohio

FRANCES BROOKS
2077 Wallace Avenue
Bronx, N. Y.

MARTIN ELKIN
343 Howard Avenue
Brooklyn, N. Y.

Sincerely,

Joe Higgins (The Shield)

USE THIS ENTIRE COUPON!!

JUST PRINT PLAINLY ON THIS COUPON, YOUR NAME, ADDRESS, AGE AND SEND IT TO ME WITH 10c TO COVER COST OF MAILING AND HANDLING.

Joe Higgins
Room 315
60 Hudson St.
New York City

Dear Joe:

Please enroll me as a member of the **SHIELD G-MAN CLUB**. I am enclosing this coupon together with Ten Cents to cover the costs of handling and mailing my Badge and Identification Card.



NAME

ADDRESS

AGE

CUT ON THIS LINE

EXACT COPY OF BADGE
IN THREE COLORS
RED—WHITE—BLUE

HARRY SHORTEN, EDITOR



YOUNG SOLDIERS of AMERICA CLUB

HONORABLE MENTION

HUGHIE RAYMOND, 1125 NEWKIRK AVE. B'KLYN, N.Y. AND NICKY THOENNESS, 731 SO. 29TH ST. LAFAYETTE, INDIANA, BOUGHT A \$25 WAR BOND RESPECTIVELY. NO \$50 BOND PURCHASES THIS MONTH AMONG OUR MEMBERS. COME ON, KIDS. YOU'RE DOING SWELL, AND YOU CAN DO BETTER!

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BEVERLY WILLS, LIVE OAK CANYON, MIAMI, ARIZ.

JOIN THE YOUNG SOLDIERS OF AMERICA...AN ACTIVE CLUB WHERE YOUR ENTRANCE TICKET INTO THE SCRAP WITH ADOLF BENITO AND HIROHITO IS A VICTORY STAMP! IF YOU CAN TRUTHFULLY FILL OUT THE FOLLOWING COUPON, YOU'RE ELIGIBLE FOR MEMBERSHIP. FILL OUT THE COUPON OR COPY IT ON A POST CARD AND SEND IT ALONG TO US AND YOUR NAME WILL APPEAR IN THE NEAR FUTURE ON THE MEMBERSHIP LISTS ON THIS PAGE. REMEMBER IT DOESN'T MATTER WHETHER YOU CAN AFFORD A 10¢ WAR STAMP OR A \$50.00 BOND—BUY ALL YOU CAN AFFORD.

ON MY HONOR AS A LOYAL, PATRIOTIC AMERICAN I PLEDGE THAT I HAVE BOUGHT VICTORY STAMPS (OR STAMP) AND AM ELIGIBLE FOR THE "YOUNG SOLDIERS OF AMERICA CLUB."

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ADDRESS

STREET

CITY

STATE

There is no Rationing on **Laughs**

IN THE NEW

ZIP

COMICS!!

HERE HE IS GANG,
THE **TOP LAUGH-
MAKER** OF THEM
ALL --- **SEÑOR
BANANA!**

I'M STILL
AROUND,
GANG---
**WILBUR
WILKINS OF
WESTFIELD!**

DON'T FORGET
ME, STEEL!
**WOODY THE
WOODPECKER!**

I'M
SLAPPY
YUK, YUK,
YUK!

I'M
PAPPY!

I'M
HAPPY!

I'M
GINGER!

I'M
CHIMPY!

ALL THESE BRAND NEW, UNBELIEVABLY FUNNY FEATURES APPEAR
IN THE APRIL ZIP COMICS! APRIL ZIP WILL APPEAR ON SALE
ALMOST ANY DAY, NOW! TAKE A TIP, BUY **ZIP!**



**Simon—
BOYS-GIRLS
MEN-WOMEN**

PICK YOUR PRIZE

THESE PRIZES ARE GIVEN TO YOU—Just send for 40 packets of easy selling Garden Spot Seeds which you can easily and quickly sell to your friends and neighbors at 10c each. Return the \$4.00 collected and select your Prize in accordance to our offers. **SEND NO MONEY—WE TRUST YOU.**

**One Pair
Racing HOMER PIGEONS**

The fun to raise and train and handle Racing Homer Pigeons. One pair of mated birds given for selling only 1 order of seeds. **Write for seeds. Sent Ex. Collect.**

**10 Piece
Priscilla Curtain Set**

All given as one Premium for selling only 1 order of seeds. **Sent postpaid.**

All given as one Premium for selling only 1 order of seeds. **Sent postpaid.**

Beautiful DINNER SET

This beautiful Set Given for selling only 2 orders of Seeds. **Sent Express Collect.**

VIOLIN, BOW & INSTRUCTIONS

Handsome finish, highly polished. **POSITIVELY NOT A TOY.** Send no money. **GIVEN for selling only 4 orders. MAIL THE COUPON TODAY. BE FIRST.**



**ALL 3
GIVEN**

**GUITAR, MANDOLIN
AND
BANJO**

Just the instruments for you until you can afford those of larger size. **ALL 3 INSTRUMENTS, GUITAR-like, MANDOLIN and MANDOLIN given for selling only 40 pkts. of Garden Spot Seeds at 10c. a pkt.**

**CANDID-TYPE
CAMERA**

Sell only one order of Garden Spot Seeds at 10c. a packet and this splendid Camera is yours. **WRITE FOR SEEDS TODAY.**

**CHENILLE BED
SPREAD**

Here is a hand-some addition to your bed room. Your choice of colors. Sell only one order of Garden Spot Seeds at 10c plus 30c.

Basket Ball GIVEN

Latest Rubber Valve Type. **GIVEN for selling only 40 pkts. at 10c. each.**

**Suitable for
Dad or Son**

This set is complete and practical, as shown. **GIVEN for selling only one 40 pkt. order of Garden Spot Seeds at 10c. each. WRITE FOR SEEDS TODAY.**

**Plant A
Victory
Garden
This
Year**

**A Real
Live Canary**

FOR YOU!

What a Pet! You will love it. Canary and Cage both given for selling only one order of seeds at 10c. a packet. **Sent Ex. Collect.**

ONE PAIR RABBITS

The raising of rabbits for the market is a fascinating business. We offer and guarantee safe arrival One Pair of Rabbits for selling only two orders. **Rabbits sent Ex. Collect.**

Everyone who plants a garden will help to solve the problem of the feeding of the nation.

**SEND NO
MONEY
WE
TRUST
YOU**

THIS PIN IS YOURS FREE

Just mail the Coupon today and this beautiful Pin, symbol of Freedom will be sent right along with the seeds. **HURRY!**

MAIL COUPON TODAY

Lancaster County Seed Co.,
Station 395, Paradise, Pa.

Please send me 40 packets (one order) of Garden Spot Seeds to sell at 10c. a pkt. for a fine Gift. I will sell and pay for seeds in 30 days. Also send right along with Seeds Patriotic Pin shown above.

Name _____

Post Office _____

State _____

Street or R.F.D. _____ Box _____

Print your last name plainly below

Save 2 cents by filling in, pasting and mailing this Coupon on a Post Card TODAY.

SHIELD

WITH
DUSTY
THE SPECTACULAR
BOY DETECTIVE



IT LOOKED LIKE AN ORDINARY PARROT BUT THE WORDS IT GIBBERED WERE FAR FROM ORDINARY! IN FACT, THEY WERE WORDS OF DEATH FOR ANY UNFORTUNATE ENOUGH TO HEAR THEM!! THEN THE PARROT SPOKE ITS FATAL WORDS TO THE SHIELD AND DUSTY, AND TALKED THEM INTO THE WEIRD CASE OF.. "POLLY WANTS A CORPSE!"

1100
HBUICK

BLAME ME DOWN!
THAT'S THE PARROT
ALL, RIGHT!

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PETS OF EVERY
DISPOSITION

THAT PARROT
IN THE
WINDOW, I
WANT TO
BUY IT!

OH I'M
SORRY, SIR!
THAT'S ALREADY
SOLD, TO A MR.
JOHN
CASSIDY!

I SAID I
WANT THAT
PARROT,
AND
NOTHING
ELSE!

HONEST
I CAN'T
MISTER!
YOU CAN
ASK MR.
CASSIDY TO
SELL IT TO
YOU! HE
LIVES AT
15 MOTT ST.
I'M SURE
HE'LL...

BHAST YE!
GIVE ME
THAT PARROT,
OR I'LL
WRING YER
SCRAWNY
NECK!

STOP!
YOU
MUST
BE
CRAZY
!!

HELP!

SAY...
SOUNDS
LIKE
TROUBLE
AT
WEEKER'S
PET SHOP
!!

OPETS

PREP
5-1111
D 60-1
6-RTS

IT IS
TROUBLE!

AND THIS MAKES
IT **DOUBLE**
TROUBLE!

SMACK

OKAY... NOW THAT
I TOOK SOME
OF THE
TOUGHNESS
OUT OF YOU,
MAYBE YOU'LL
TELL ME
WHAT THIS
IS
ALL
ABOUT!

ER...
NOTHING AT
ALL, MATEY!
SORRY I LOST
MY HEAD!... I'LL
TAKE SOME OTHER
PARROT! IT DON'T
MAKE ANY
DIFFERENCE!

HUH, OH,
ALL RIGHT,
SIR!

JUST HOLD
IT FOR ME, I'LL
BE BACK FOR
IT, MATEY!

HMM... THAT
SAILOR CERTAINLY
DID A LOT OF
BACK WATERING IN
A HURRY! **WHAT** WAS
HE **AFTER** IN THE FIRST
PLACE, MISTER MEEKER!

THAT PARROT,
MR. HIGGINS, WHEN
I TOLD HIM I'D
SOLD IT TO A
GUY, NAMED
JOHN CASSIDY,
HE JUMPED ON
ME! THE GUY
MUST BE NUTS!

FUNNY, HIS
WANTING THAT
PARROT **SO**
BADLY, IS IT
A RARE
SPECIMEN,
OR
SOMETHING
??

NO, IT'S QUITE ORDINARY!
A SAILOR BROUGHT
IT IN A LONG TIME AGO...
AND NEVER CAME
BACK FOR IT SO
NOW, WHEN I
DECIDED TO SELL
IT, **THIS** HAS
TO HAPPEN!

WHO WAS THAT SAILOR WHO LEFT THE PARROT WITH YOU IN THE FIRST PLACE - WOULD YOU REMEMBER, MR. MEEKER?

WHY YES! I WAS STRUCK BY HIS EXTREME AGITATION AT THE TIME / THAT'S WHY I TOOK PARTICULAR NOTICE OF HIM!

BILL BLUSTER --- HE SHIPPED ON THE FREIGHTER BLACKSWAN!

HMM... OKAY, THANKS A LOT! I'LL BE RUNNING ALONG NOW!

JOE IMMEDIATELY HEADS FOR THE WATERFRONT---

WELL, MY HUNCH WAS RIGHT! THERE'S THE **BLACKSWAN** NOW!

PARDON ME CAPTAIN! I'M JOE HIGGINS OF THE F.B.I. I'M NOT HERE ON OFFICIAL BUSINESS, BUT IF YOU CAN GIVE ME SOME INFORMATION ABOUT A SEAMAN, BILL BLUSTER, I'D APPRECIATE IT!

I'D LIKE SOME INFORMATION ABOUT BLUSTER MYSELF MR. HIGGINS!

WHAT DO YOU MEAN?

HE'S MISSING! MUST'VE JUMPED SHIP AS SOON AS WE DOCKED YESTERDAY! TOLD ME HE WANTED TO RECLAIM A PARROT! AND THAT'S THE LAST I SAW OF HIM!

SO, BLUSTER'S MISSING --- AND RIGHT AFTER HE WENT TO RECLAIM HIS PARROT! THIS GETS MORE INTERESTING BY THE MINUTE---

AS LONG AS I'M PLAYING HUNCHES, I MIGHT AS WELL PLAY 'EM ALL!

MORQUE

HELLO, I'M FROM
THE F.B.I. ANY
FRESH MERCHANDISE?
ROUTINE
INVESTIGATION.

YEAH, JUST
BROUGHT
IN A SAILOR,
LAST NIGHT,
WANNA
SEE 'IM?

STRANGLER
EH? ANY
IDENTIFICATION?

BILL
BLUSTER!
DON'T
KNOW WHAT
SHIP THOUGH,
OR WE'D HAVE
NOTIFIED HIS
SKIPPER!

WHEN? NOW I KNOW
A LOT, AND YET I KNOW
NOTHING! ONE THING IS
SURE THOUGH, THAT
PARROT IS THE KEY TO
THIS WHOLE MYSTERY!
LET'S SEE, MEEKER SAID
HE SOLD IT TO A GUY,
LIVING AT 15 MOTT ST!

HELLO, DUSTY!
MEET ME AT 15
MOTT ST.
ACTION,
PLENTY OF IT,
OR I MISS
MY GUESS!

AND FROM
HERE ON, JOE
HIGGINS STOPS..
THE SHIELD
PICKS UP
UR..

THIS IS THE
PLACE, I HEAR
VOICES, I'LL
GRAB A SNEAK
LOOK THRU
THIS WINDOW.

BOY, OF ALL THE
SCREWY JOBS,
KNOCKING OFF
A GUY, JUST
TO GET
HIS
PARROT
!!!

SHUT UP! WE'RE
GETTIN' PAID GOOD
TO GET THAT..
SO WE GET IT
SEE??

THAT MUST
BE THE
PARROT,
SMOOCH! IT'S
THE ONLY
ONE IN
THE JOINT!

60/ PATCH-EYE SENT
PROFESSIONAL
KILLERS TO GET
THAT PARROT,
DID HE?

CRIPES!
THE
SHIELD!

A BIRD CAGE IS KNOCKED OVER AS
THE SHIELD FLAILS INTO THE KILLERS!

HANG ONTO, HIM,
SMOOCH! I'LL GET
HIM WIT' DIS CHAIN!

ULF!

YOU SEEM TO LIKE
CANARIES --- SO
I'LL GIVE YOU A
FEW MORE --- TO
TWEET OVER
YOU!

HOW DO YOU LIKE
THAT,
SHIELD?
HE WOULD
START
THE PARTY
BEFORE I GET
HERE!

POW

OKAY! YOU CAME AFTER
THE BIRD - AND YOU'RE
GOING TO GET IT!

WELL, ANYWAY, I'M STILL
IN TIME FOR FUN!

BOY! THE FISH
ARE BIG THIS
YEAR - BUT
THEY SURE
ARE UGLY!

ARE NOT
MUCH FIGHT
IN 'EM EITHER!

HEY! WHAT'S ALL
THE RUMPUS? **SHIELD!**
WHAT'S HAPPENING
HERE?

IT'S ALREADY
HAPPENED,
OFFICER!

WHY, THAT'S
KNIFEY GOR
DON AND
SMOOCH SCHULTZ,
YOU GOT THERE!
ARE THEY RE-
SPONSIBLE
FOR THIS
MURDER?

YES! THEY
WERE HIRED
TO GET A PAR-
ROT - AND THEY
ALMOST DID!

WHAT! YOU
TRYIN' TO PULL
MY LEG? WHY
WOULD ANY-
BODY COMMIT
MURDER JUST
FOR A PARROT?

NAH, YOU GOT IT ALL WRONG,
SHIELD! THIS GUY WUZ PROBABLY
ONE OF THEIR MOB! WE'LL
SWEAT IT OUTTA THEM AT
HEADQUARTERS!

BUT...
BUT...

CAN'T SAY I
BLAME 'EM FOR
NOT BELIEVING
ME, THOUGH!

AWWRK
PLEASURE
ISLAND.
PLEASURE
ISLAND
AWWRK..

PLEASURE SLAND..
AWWRK.. PLEASURE..
AWK.. AWK..

HA HA! THIS PARROT
SURE REMEM-
BERS PLEA-
SURE ISLAND
SHIELD!

YEAH! HE KNOWS IT TOO
WELL! WELL, I'VE GONE
THIS FAR, SO I'LL GO
THE WHOLE WAY! WE'RE
GOING TO PLEASURE
ISLAND, DUSTY!

YEAH, I HEARD
THEM TOO! USED TO
BE A PIRATE STRONG-
HOLD AS I HEARD 'T!

PLEASURE
ISLAND!
THERE ARE
A LOT OF
LEGENDARY
STORIES
ABOUT THAT
!!

NOW
WHAT
SHIELD
??

YOU
GOT ME!
NOTHING
BUT
BEACH-
ROCKS,
AROUND
HERE!

JESSENT

AWK... FIRST
CAVE OVER THE
RIDGE.. AWRK..
FIRST CAVE
OVER THE
RIDGE.. AWK..
AWK...

DUSTY! THAT PARROT
IS DIRECTING US SOME-
WHERE! I'M SURE OF
IT! C'MON WE'RE LOOKING
FOR THAT FIRST CAVE
OVER THE
RIDGE!

WHILLKERS!
OF ALL THE
SCREWY SET-
UPS! BEING
DIRECTED
BY A
PARROT!

THAT PARROT KNOWS WHAT
IT'S TALKING ABOUT, DUSTY!
THERE IS A CAVE OVER
- S R DGE!

I'LL MAKE
A COUPLE OF
TORCHES OUT
OF THESE FAGOTS!
WE'LL NEED
THEM TO FIND
OUR WAY AROUND!

SHIELD!
WHEN THIS PLACE
IS A LABYRINTH!
OKAY, POLLY, DO
YOUR STUFF!

CENTRAL PASS-
AGEWAY AWWK...
CENTRAL
AWK... AWK..

CENTRAL
T 5! THIS
WAY, LAD!

SHIELD!
JUST WHERE
DO YOU THINK
THIS PARROT
IS LEADING
US?

THAT'S A
\$64 QUESTION.
AND I DON'T
KNOW THE
ANSWER!
WE'LL JUST
GO ALONG
AND SEE
WHAT HAPPENS!

OH, OH!
DEAD
END!

I HOPE
POLLY
DOESN'T
TELL US TO
DIG THE
REST OF
THE WAY.



C'MON
GIVE WILL
YA POLLY?
YOU GOT
US THIS
FAR DONT
FOLD NOW

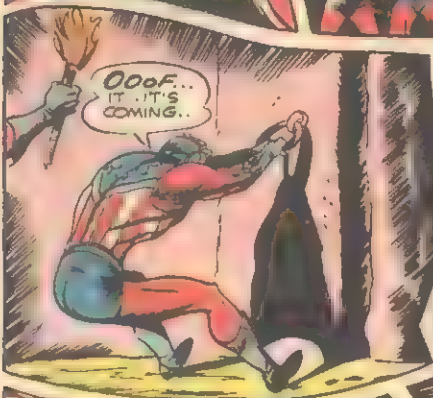
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IRON
RUNG..
SCREECH..
RUNG!
IRON
RUNG!!
AWWRRRK..



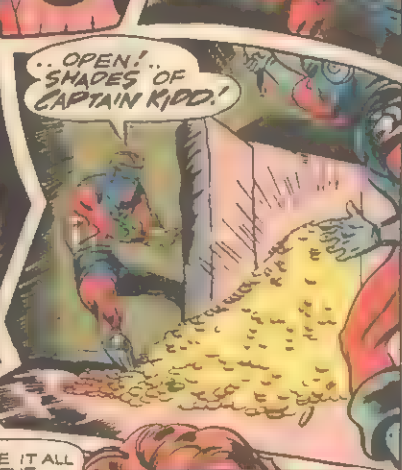
SHIELD!
THERE S
AN RON RUNG
OVER THERE



HERE DUSTY!
HOLD THIS TORCH
WHILE I TACKLE
THAT THING!



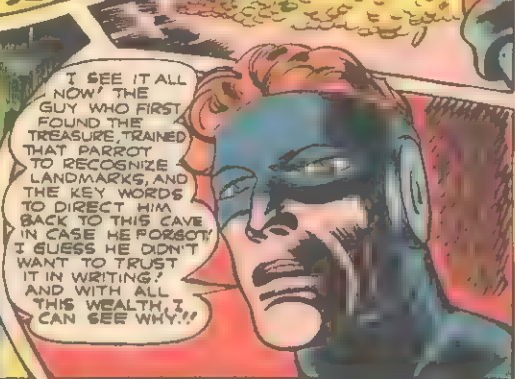
Ooof...
IT..IT'S
COMING..



.. OPEN!
**SHADES OF
CAPTAIN KIDD!**



TREASURE!
PIRATE S
TREASURE,
SHELD!
WHEEE!



I SEE IT ALL
NOW! THE
GUY WHO FIRST
FOUND THE
TREASURE, TRAINED
THAT PARROT
TO RECOGNIZE
LANDMARKS, AND
THE KEY WORDS
TO DIRECT HIM
BACK TO THIS CAVE
IN CASE HE FORGOT.
I GUESS HE DIDN'T
WANT TO TRUST
IT IN WRITING?
AND WITH ALL
THIS WEALTH, I
CAN SEE WHY!!

NEVER DE / PATCH
LOCATION / EYE?
MATES?

RIGHT! THANKS FOR LEADING ME TO THE
TREASURE SHIELD! I'VE BEEN AFTER IT
EVER SINCE THAT FIRST NIGHT A YEAR
AGO WHEN BILL BLUSTER DRUNK AND
TALKATIVE, TOLD ME HOW HE'D FOUND IT!
I TRIED TO GET THAT PARROT FROM
THE STORM BUT HE HID IT!

IT WAS ONLY YES-
TERDAY I FOUND
OUT IT WAS IN
THAT PET SHOP
ALL THE TIME. BY
FOLLOWING BLUSTER
HALF-WAY AROUND
THE WORLD- AND
BACK!

SO YOU KILLED HIM--- AND
NOW YOU FIGURE ON KILL
ING US BOTH SO THAT
THE TREASURE
WILL BE ALL
YOURS, EH?

OKAY SHIELD!
IF HE WANTS
IT SO BADLY

LET'S
GIVE IT
TO HIM!

HE'S ALL
MINE
SHIELD!

DUSTY!
WATCH OUT!--
THE ROOF'S
CAVING IN!

HOLY SOCK! THOSE
WILD BULLETS MUST'VE
WEAKENED THE ROOF!

OMON—RUN FOR
IT BEFORE WE'RE
BLIND RIGHT INTO
THE MOUNTAIN

NO...NO...I'M NOT
GOING TO LEAVE
ALL THIS
MONEY/I'M
NOT...

SHELD...PATCH EYE
DIDN'T COME OUT!

NEXT DAY...

GAY JOE, THERE'S
A SWELL MOVIE ON
TONIGHT **TREA-
SURE ISLAND!**
WANNA TAKE IT
IN?

BRR...IF I
NEVER HEAR
THAT WORD A-
GAIN IT'LL BE
TOO SOON!

THE CRAZY, MONEY-
MAD FOOL...HE GOT
HIS TREASURE ALL
RIGHT...FOR ALL
ETERNITY! I FEEL
SORRIER FOR
POOR POLLY,
THAN I DO
FOR HIM!

LOOK FOR THE APRIL ISSUE OF **ZIP COMICS**!
IT'S NEW, HILARIOUS IN A RIB-BREAKING WAY!
THE LAUGH SENSATION OF THE YEAR!

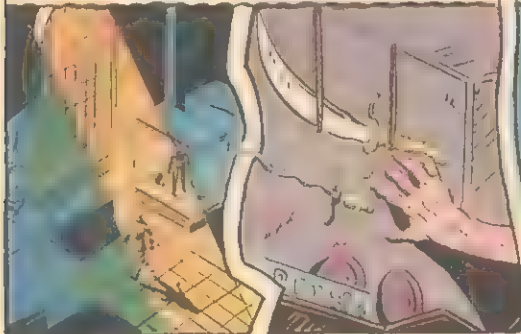
HANGMAN



IT WAS ONLY
A LAMP DULL, TARNISHED
AND CRUSTED WITH THE
GRIEVE OF CENTURIES! A
LAMP WHOSE ONLY VALUE
SEEMINGLY LAY IN ITS ANTI-
QUITY! YET IT HAD THE POW-
ER OF A THOUSAND RULERS!
THE DESTRUCTIVENESS OF
DEATH ITSELF! WHAT WAS THE
SECRET OF THIS LAMP THAT
HAD CAUSED **RIVERS OF BLOOD**
ALREADY TO FLOW-AND WHICH
NOW MENACED THE **HANG-**
MAN IN THE CASE OF ...

**THE LAMP THAT
LIVED!**

MIDNIGHT - IN THE METROPOLITAN MUSEUM A GUARD MARKS
THE KOUNDS UNAWAKE OF LIFE HIDDEN AMONG THE OBJECT
OF ART



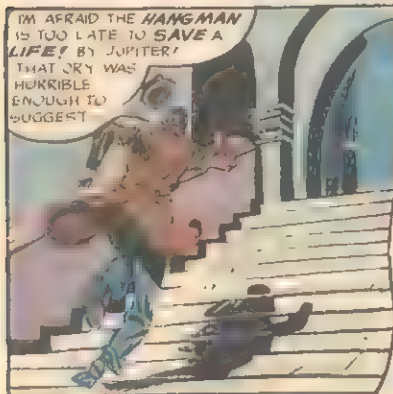
THEN THE BLACKNESS TAKES FORM AS
A BIZARRE FIGURE SLINKS UP BEHIND
THE GUARD AND ----



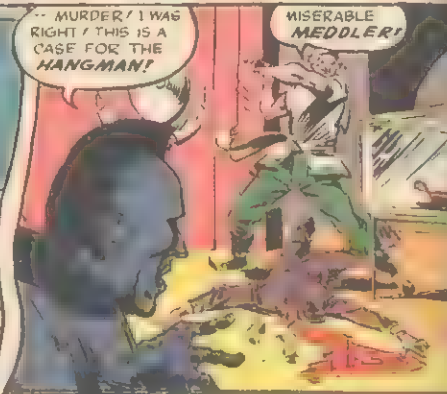
----AND AT THAT MOMENT PASSING BY
THE MUSEUM BOB DICKERING ----



GOOD LUCK!
WHAT WAS THAT?
SOUNDED LIKE
A DEATH SCREAM



I'M AFRAID THE **HANGMAN**
IS TOO LATE TO **SAVE A**
LIFE! BY JUPITER!
THAT CRY WAS
HORRIBLE
ENOUGH TO
SUGGEST



-- MURDER! I WAS
RIGHT! THIS IS A
CASE FOR THE
HANGMAN!

MISERABLE
MEDDLER!

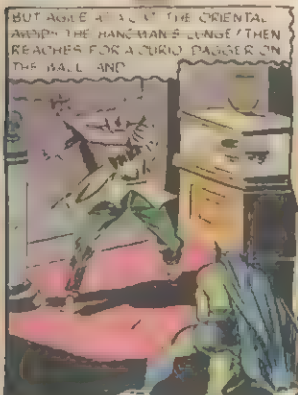
I'VE NO TIME TO FOOL
WITH YOU! I CAME FOR
THIS LAMP—AND I'M
GOING TO GET IT!



YOU'LL GET SOMETHING ALL RIGHT
BUT IT WON'T BE A LAMP! IT'LL
BE A NOOSE AROUND YOUR
NECK!



BUT AGILE AS A CAT THE ORIENTAL
AVENGER THE HANGMAN'S LUNGE! THEN
REACHES FOR A CURIO DAGGER ON
THE WALL AND



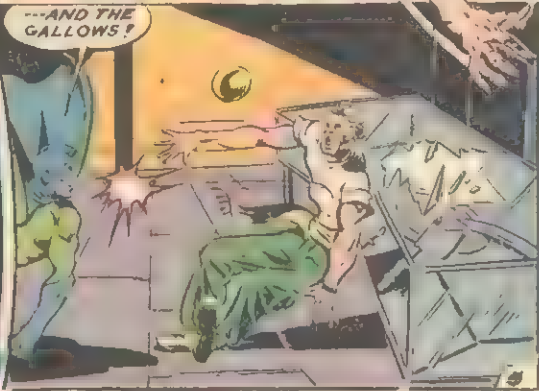
I'M PRETTY GOOD MYSELF AT THIS
DUCKING BUSINESS, YOU BIG TURK!
YOU CAME HERE FOR A LAMP—



...BUT ALL YOU'RE
GOING TO GET IS
LUMPS!

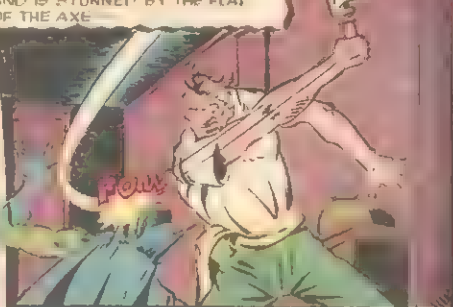


...AND THE
GALLOWS!



BUT FAR FROM SUBDUED THE ORIENTAL CHARGES WITH AN INHUMAN, OVERPOWERING STRENGTH--THE LUST FOR MURDER ETCHED ON HIS SAVAGE FEATURES---

THE HANGMAN FALTERS---TWISTS DESPERATELY TO ONE SIDE AS THE SLEAMING WEAPON OF DEATH GLASHES TOWARD HIS HEAD--- AND IS STUNNED BY THE FLAT OF THE AXE



FOOTSTEPS, CAN'T STOP TO FINISH HIM NOW--- BUT I'LL BE BACK FOR THE LAMP!

@@000---MY HEAD! THE WHOLE BUILDING MUST HAVE TUMBLED ON ME--ONE BRICK AT A TIME!

WHAT'S GOIN' ON HERE? HE TURNED ON THAT BURGALAR ALARM---? GLORY BE! IT'S THE HANGMAN!

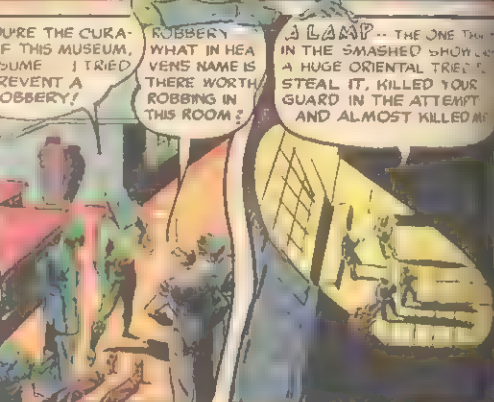
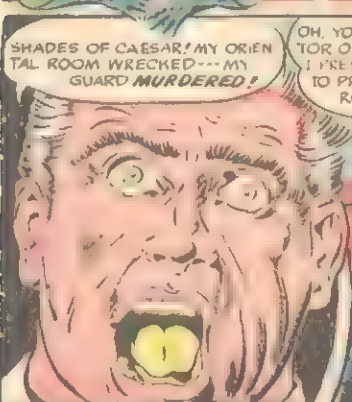


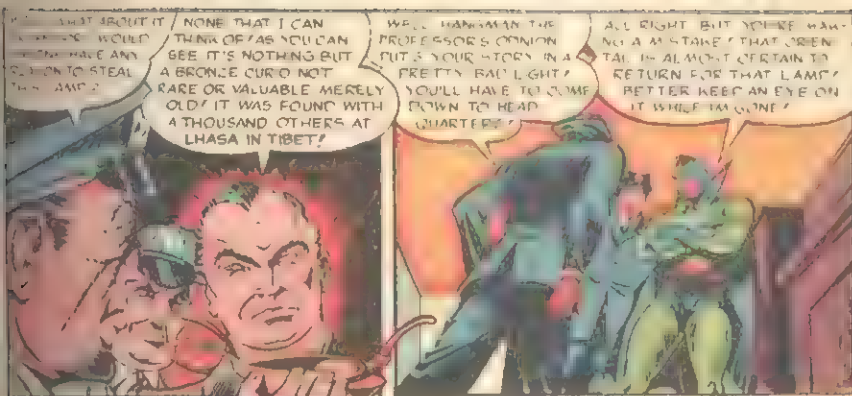
SHADES OF CAESAR! MY ORIENTAL ROOM WRECKED---MY GUARD MURDERED!

OH, YOU'RE THE CURATOR OF THIS MUSEUM, I PRESUME. I TRIED TO PREVENT A ROBBERY!

ROBBERY? WHAT IN HEAVEN'S NAME IS THERE WORTH ROBBERING IN THIS ROOM?

A LAMP-- THE ONE THAT IN THE SMASHED SHOWED A HUGE ORIENTAL TREASURE. STEAL IT, KILLED YOUR GUARD IN THE ATTEMPT AND ALMOST KILLED ME!





WHAT ABOUT IT?
I'D HAVE ANY
CLUE TO STEAL
THE LAMP?

NONE THAT I CAN
THINK OF! AS YOU CAN
SEE IT'S NOTHING BUT
A BRONZE CUPID NOT
RARE OR VALUABLE MERELY
OLD! IT WAS FOUND WITH
A THOUSAND OTHERS AT
LHASA IN TIBET!

WELL, HANGMAN THE
PROFESSOR'S OPINION
PUTS YOUR STORY IN A
PRETTY BAD LIGHT!
YOU'LL HAVE TO COME
DOWN TO HEAD
QUARTERS!

ALL RIGHT BUT YOU'RE HANG-
ING A MISTAKE! THAT GREEN
TAIL IS ALMOST CERTAIN TO
RETURN FOR THAT LAMP!
BETTER KEEP AN EYE ON
IT WHILE I'M GONE!



AND YOU INSIST HANG-
MAN! ON THAT LAMP
I DON'T WANT-PERSON
I WANT YOURS EH

YES, AND THE
LONGER YOU STALL WITH
ME THE MORE TIME YOU
GIVE TO THAT KILLER TO
DO HIS DIRTY WORK!



WE'LL DECIDE THAT HANG-
MAN! JUST A MINUTE
WHILE I ANSWER THE
PHONE! HELLO?---
OH IT'S YOU
CREATOR! YES
WHAT IS IT?



ABOUT THAT LAMP, CHIEF!
I CALLED UP MY COLLEAGUE,
THE ONE WHO SENT IT TO
ME IN THE FIRST PLACE! HE
SEEMED HIGHLY EXCITED WHEN
I TOLD HIM WHAT HAD OCCURRED!

—INSISTED I SEND
IT BACK TO HIM!
SAID SOMETHING
ABOUT HAVING
FOUND OUT SOME
STARTLING INFORMA-
TION ABOUT IT, SO
NOW ...

---PROFESSOR
COATES, THE
ARCHAEOLOGIST
---AAAAAARRRRH

GLORY BE!
WHAT'S THAT?

HANGMAN! YOU WERE RIGHT!
SOMETHING HAS HAPPENED
BECAUSE OF THAT CON-
FOUNDED LAMP!

HURRIEDLY A SQUAD
SPEEDS TOWARD THE
SEUM

C'MON! STEP
ON IT MEN!

THE SAINTS
PRESERVE US!
IT'S HORRIBLE!

WELL, THAT CLEARS
YOU HANGMAN, BUT
WE'LL GET THAT KIL-
LER YET!

YES, BUT THE MOST
IMPORTANT THING IS
TO GET HIM BE-
FORE HE STRIKES
AGAIN, AND I HAVE A
HUNCH HIS NEXT VIC-
TIM MAY BE PROFESSOR
COATES!

...NOW WHERE PROFESSOR COATES LIVES. FORTUNATELY SO I DON'T HAVE TO WASTE TIME LOOKING HIM UP. AND LORD KNOWS TIME MAY BE PRESENT AT THIS POINT.



THIS IS COATES' HOUSE. SAY WHAT'S THAT? SOUNDED LIKE A MUFFLED SCREAM!



I HOPE I'M WRONG --- BUT I THINK THAT PERSIAN MURDERER HAS BEATEN ME TO THE DRAW AGAIN!



HE DID!
YOU AGAIN!



CURSE YOUR PERSISTENCE, HANG-MAN! YOU'VE TRIED TO KEEP ME FROM GETTING MY LAMP FOR THE LAST TIME!



WHOW --- THIS PERSIAN CERTAINLY KEEPS ME DUCKING CLOSE ONES-- IF NOTHING ELSE!



OKAY, YOU FUGITIVE FROM THE ARABIAN NIGHTS YOU'VE HAD YOUR TURN IN THE STEALER'S BOX!



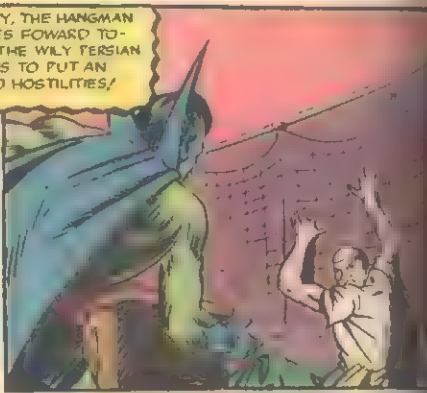
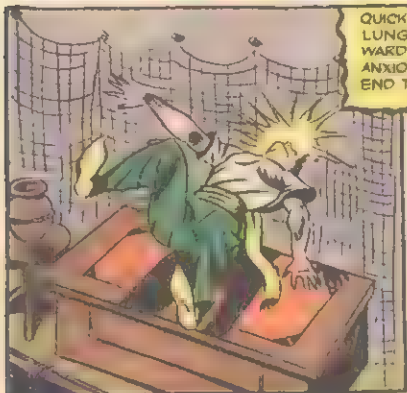
--NOW I'LL TAKE
OVER ON THE
MOUND--



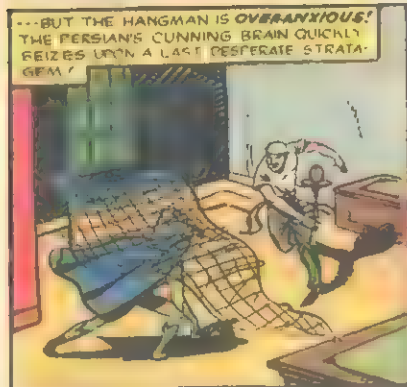
--AND YOU
DO THE CATCH-
ING!



QUICKLY, THE HANGMAN
LUNGES FORWARD TO-
WARD THE WILY PERSIAN
ANXIOUS TO PUT AN
END TO HOSTILITIES!



---BUT THE HANGMAN IS **OVERANXIOUS!**
THE PERSIAN'S CUNNING BRAIN QUICKLY
REIZES UPON A LAST DESPERATE STRATA-
GEM!



I HAVE YOU
THIS TIME
HANGMAN!



AND I'M GOING TO
MAKE SURE YOU
DON'T GET AWAY!



RIPPING A CURTAIN FROM A WINDOW THE
ORIENTAL PREPARES TO BIND THE FALLEN
GUARDIAN OF JUSTICE!



YOU'RE A FOOL IF YOU THINK YOU CAN
FLEE WITH YOUR CRIMES! THIS
-AMERICA! YOU'LL NEVER
ESCAPE THE GALLOWS!



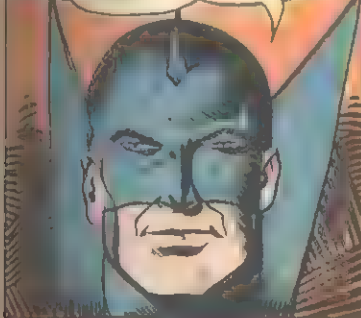
WORTHLESS! HA, HA! THIS LAMP IS THE
MOST VALUABLE THING IN EXISTENCE!
WITH IT THE WORLD IS MINE!
THIS LAMP IS - **ALADDIN'S**

LAMP!



WHAT!

YOU'VE TAKEN A TRICK! BUT I'M CURIOUS
TO KNOW WHY YOU HAVE MURDERED
AND ROBBED FOR A WORTHLESS
LAMP!



YES! AND I AM A DESCENDANT OF THE TRIBE OF MENUHI, WHOSE EARLIEST ANCESTORS STOLE THIS LAMP FROM PRINCE ALADDIN, HIMSELF! SOMEHOW IT WAS LOST- AND FOR CENTURIES EVERY GENERATION OF MY TRIBE HAS BEEN SEEKING IT! AND NOW I FOUND IT!



DO YOU REALIZE HOW GREAT IS MY POWER HANGMAN? ALL I NEED DO IS WISH FOR SOMETHING AND IT IS MINE! THE WORLD IS MINE FOR THE ASKING!



WHAT'S THAT? SOMEBODY FOUNDING AT THE FRONT DOOR!



THE POLICE AND NOW YOU MURDERER YOU'LL EITHER MEET YOUR JUST FATE ON THE GALLOWS OR IN AN INSANE ASYLUM!

HA HA HA HA FOOL! TWICE FOOL! YOU STILL DO NOT BELIEVE THIS IS ALADDIN'S LAMP!



VERY WELL! I WILL SHOW YOU! THERE IS NO NEED TO KILL YOU AS YET! WITH THIS LAMP IN MY POSSESSION I CAN DO THAT ANY TIME I PLEASE!



I SHALL WISH MYSELF TO DISAPPEAR INTO THE PAST! WATCH, HANGMAN! WATCH CLOSELY! FIRST: RUB THE LAMP THUS! NOW I MAKE A WISH--- O, SPIRIT OF THE LAMP! I YOUR MASTER COMMAND YOU TO CARRY OUT MY WISH!



I WISH TO BE TRANSPORTED FROM HERE-- BACK TO THE PAST!



CAESAR'S GHOST! HE---HE DID IT!--- DISAPPEARED RIGHT UNDER MY VERY EYES!



HELLO, BOYS!--- YOU CAME A LITTLE LATE AS I DID!

HANGMAN! WHAT HAPPENED? WHERE'S THE MURDERER?



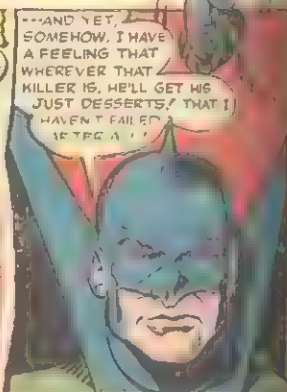
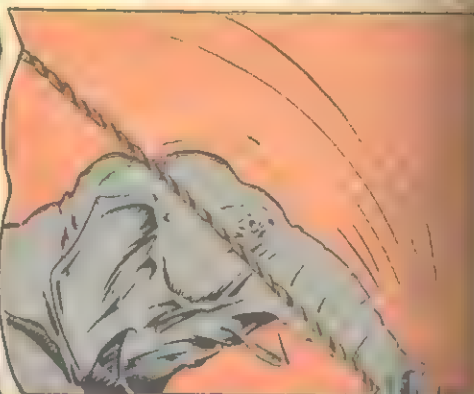
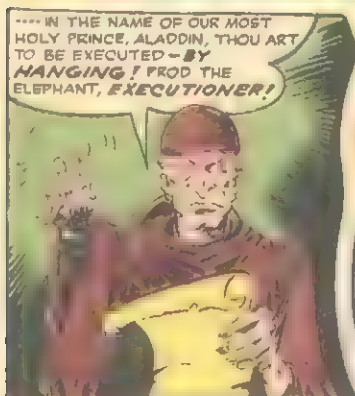
SOMEWHERE WHERE WE CAN'T GET AT HIM, I'M AFRAID! MY ONLY HOPE IS THAT WE NEVER SEE HIM AGAIN! DON'T TELL YOU WHY! YOU WOULDN'T BELIEVE ME ANYWAY!

YOU MEAN WE'VE FAILED, HANGMAN! THIS IS THE FIRST CASE YOU'VE EVER BEEN IN WITH US THAT WE HAVEN'T CLEANED UP!

MEANWHILE LET US FOLLOW THE PERSIAN WHO HAS TRANSPORTED HIMSELF BACK TO THE PAST WHERE AM I? WHY AM I IN THIS PRISON? WHERE IS MY LAMP?

QUIET YOU ROGUE! YOU'LL GET YOUR ANSWER SOON ENOUGH!





CAPTAIN COMMANDO

and the
BOY
SOLDIER



STAND CLEAR, NAZIS! THE COMMANDOS ARE COMING! STOP TREMBLING IN YOUR BOOTS! IT WILL DO YOU NO GOOD, BECAUSE NO ONE, NOTHING, CAN STOP THE VENGEANCE OF THE COMMANDOS! HERE IS A STORY FROM WITHIN AND ABOUT NAZI GERMANY! CAPTAIN COMMANDO AND THE BOY SOLDIERS TOGETHER WITH NEW COMMANDO RECRUITS, ALMOST SUFFER DEFEAT, UNTIL... BUT, READ ON!

SOMEWHERE IN ENGLAND: AT
COMMANDO TRAINING HEAD-
QUARTERS.....

LOOK OUT BOY!
HERE COMES AN
EGG!

THIS IS
THE LAST
ONE, BOYS!
MAKE IT
GOOD!

ENOUGH PRACTICE FOR
ONE DAY, BOYS! FALL IN TO
BARRACKS! I'M INTERVIEW-
ING NEW RECRUITS TO OUR
OUTFIT!

BOY, I FEEL
RIGHT IN THE
PINK O'CON-
DITION CAP!

LATER AT THE
RECRUITING OF
FICE.....

HALLO -- CAPTAIN
COMMANDO?

SIT DOWN --
WON'T YOU PLEASE?

THESE
QUESTIONS ARE
NECESSARY AND IM-
PORTANT! PLEASE AN-
SWER CORRECTLY!

BIRTHPLACE?

WARSAW!

FAMILY? ---??

FAMILY?

FAMILY? WIFE, YES!
BOY, YES! I FIGHT! I
COME BACK! WIFE IN GERMAN
NO WIFE! BOY NOT THERE!
NO WIFE! NO BOY!

I WANT JOIN
WITH YOU
CAPTAIN. I
GOT TO!

YOU'LL DO! CORPORAL SHOW HIM TO
COMMANDO BARRACKS! AND SHOW
IN THE NEXT
RECRUIT!

OLE LARKIN,
REPORT
SIR?

NO REAL LIFE BEFORE
YOU TAKE ON THIS
LIFE OLE, THAT COM
MUNIST PUNY
NO NEED!

THAT'S THE ONLY
WAY I PLAY WITH
NAZIS!

WHAT ABOUT
YOUR FAMILY?

MY FAMILY?
HERE-----
HERE THEY
ARE---

THEY'RE A BEAUTIFUL
FAMILY, OLE! ARE
THEY ALIVE?



ALIVE? DO
THE NAZIS ALLOW
ANY BEAUTIFUL
THINGS TO GROW?

SORRY, OLE!
WE'LL MAKE IT
UP SOME DAY--
TOGETHER!

THANK YOU
CAPTAIN! I LIVE FOR
THAT
DAY!

ALL RIGHT COR-
PORAL SHOW
THE NEXT
RECRUIT

YESSIE!

NAME?

ZIEGFRIED
WERNER?

BIRTHPLACE?

BERLIN

HEIGHT? WEIGHT?

5 FT.
100 POUNDS!

WHAT? FIVE
FEET? WHY WE
CAN'T... OH...
I'M SORRY! I
DIDN'T NOTICE
BEFORE!

THAT'S ALL RIGHT
CAPTAIN! NO NEED
TO BE SORRY!
YOUR REACTION
TO MY BODY IS
NOT NEW TO
ME!

THIS IS UNUSUAL -- READ! UNUSUAL ZIEGFRIED! YOU SEE THE COMMANDOS REQUIRE MEN OF STRENGTH COURAGE BRAWN...

---AND BRAINS CAPTAIN! THAT'S WHAT I CAN OFFER BRAINS!

A VERY NECESSARY REQUISITE FOR BEING VALUABLE BEHIND THE LINES! COMMANDOS ARE A PICKED GROUP OF THE BRAVEST, THE BEST AND MOST FEARLESS OF OUR RANKS OF FIGHTING MEN! OUR FIGHTERS MUST BE THOSE WITH A HATE AND A PURPOSE

HATE? PURPOSE? I HAVE THOSE CAPTAIN! NOT BECAUSE OF A CRIME COMMITTED AGAINST A BODY, PHYSICALLY - BUT A CRIME AGAINST THE MIND. THE SOUL --- LISTEN TO MY STORY!

LET ME TAKE YOU BACK TO 1933 IN BERLIN MY CLASSMATE AND I WERE CALLING ON PROFESSOR SOR BUCHNER

IT IS A GREAT HONOR, WOLFE!

AH MY TWO BEST MEN ZIEGFRIED AND WOLFE! COME IN! THE FOOD IS WAITING ON THE TABLE FOR YOU!

IMAGINE THE PROFESSOR INVITING US TO HIS HOME ZIEGFRIED!

GOOD EVENING HERE PROFESSOR SOR!

OH! WHAT A MEAL! ELSA YOUR COOKING CAN'T BE COMPARED WITH IN ALL GERMANY -- NO -- IN ALL THE WORLD!

STOP YOUR FLATTERY PAUL! WHEN ONE HAS SUCH PLEASANT COMPANY THE FOOD COOKS BY ITSELF!

WELL BOYS THE END OF A PERFECT EVENING EH? NOW WE CAN SEE TWO SUCH GOOD FRIENDS TWO SUCH BRILLIANT SCHOLARS! GIVE ME IT WILL BE VERY DIFFICULT DETERMINING WHICH OF YOU IS TO GET THE CHEMISTRY MEDAL THIS YEAR!

AND LATER THAT EVENING, LONG AFTER WE LEFT. WHAT A PLEASANT EVENING, ELSA! ALMOST TOO GOOD TO BE TRUE!

SOMEONE IS KNOCKING PAUL! WHO COULD IT BE?

HERR PROFESSOR FRAU---WONDERFUL NEWS! I COULDN'T WAIT TO TELL YOU! ADOLPH HITLER HAS BEEN APPOINTED CHANCELLOR OF THE REICH!

YES, CAPTAIN, THAT WAS THE BEGINNING! FROM THAT NIGHT ON EVENTS MOVED RAPIDLY! THE SUBJUGATION OF THE GERMAN PEOPLE STARTED! OLD FRIENDS BECAME ENEMIES---

CLASSROOMS WERE CONVERTED INTO TRAINING SCHOOLS FOR THE NAZI---

AND THEN CAME THE FATAL ANNOUNCEMENT FOR ME---

ACHTUNG! LISTEN PEOPLE OF GERMANY! HEREAFTER ALL THOSE WITH PHYSICAL DEFORMITIES ARE DECLARED UNFIT BY THE REICH!

THE DAY OF GRADUATION---THE DAY OF THE PRESENTATION OF THE MEDALS TO THE HONOR STUDENTS---AT LAST THE DAY HAS COME! GRADUATION AND THEN I'LL RETIRE! I'LL NOT TEACH NAZI THEORIES

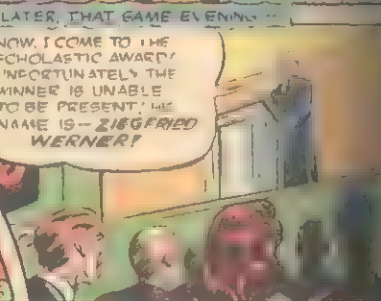
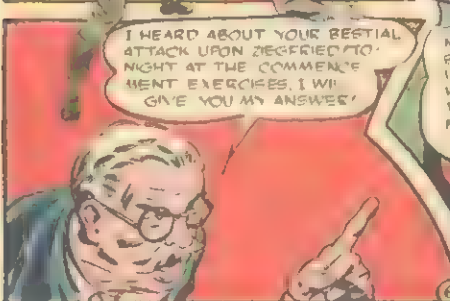
HEIL HITLER PROFESSOR! I AM ON MY WAY TO A \$5. MEETING AND WOULD LIKE TO REPORT TO THEM THAT I HAVE WON THE AWARD! I HAVE WON IT, HAVEN'T I?

YOU---YOU CONCEITED IDIOT! THEY HAVE DONE A GOOD JOB ON YOU, HAVEN'T THEY, THOSE NAZIS! I'LL GIVE YOU A MESSAGE FOR YOUR NAZIS----

YES--- COME IN!

YES--YOU WERE SECOND! WHAT? YOU DARE TO AWARD
TO ZIEGFRIED? HE WON THE PRIZE TO A **DEFORMED**
IT AND I'M GLAD!

IT WAS NOT LONG BEFORE
ED WIND WAS PLANNING SEVENTH
I WAS TO RECEIVE THE MEDAL



HA HA! I DON'T THINK MY
FRIEND, ZIEGFRIED WILL
WANT THE MEDAL NOW.
EH HANG--

HAVE
HOW THE
NEXT TIME
WE STRAIGHT
ENJOY THE
MIND?

HELLO, HERE
PROFESSOR!

GET OUT YOU
YOU CUT-THROAT

I HEARD ABOUT YOUR BESTIAL
ATTACK UPON ZIEGFRIED TO-
NIGHT AT THE COMMENCE-
MENT EXERCISES. I WILL
GIVE YOU MY ANSWER!

LATER, THAT SAME EVENING--

NOW, I COME TO THE
ECHOLASTIC AWARD!
UNFORTUNATELY THE
WINNER IS UNABLE
TO BE PRESENT! HIS
NAME IS-- **ZIEGFRIED
WERNER!**

...A FULL TRAITOR? YOU CHOOSE A
...A CREATURE OVER A STRONG
...BLOOD-BRED ARYAN AFTER ALL?
...ARE NOT A VERY GOOD TEACHER
...HERR PROFESSOR!



...HERR HAS TORTURED
...TORMENTED ALMOST TO
...OF INSANITY! CAP
...IN COMMAND! THEY
...TRIED TO DESTROY
...IN REVENGE!

BUT I
ESCAPED
AND NOW I
AM READY
TO OFFER YOU
MY SERVICES!

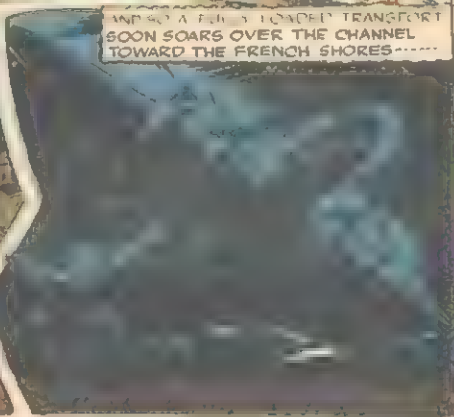
I'M SORRY
BUT THE
ANSWER IS
MUST STILL BE NO.
THE INTELLIGENCE
DEPARTMENT PER-
HAPS!

SOME TIME LATER
HEY STEP ON IT MUGS
THE EXPEDITION'S
READY TO START!

NOT TOO SOON
TO SUIT ME!



...MEN, YOU KNOW OUR OBJECTIVE!
...THE PLANS FOR THE NEW MESSERSCHMITT
...MAY BE A GRAB-AND-RUN
...THOSE PLANS ARE
...IMPORTANT
...IN WILSON'S
...PLAN



AND SO A FULLY LOADED TRANSPORT
SOON SOARS OVER THE CHANNEL
TOWARD THE FRENCH SHORES-----

CHUTES READY MEN! WE'RE
ALMOST THERE-- WAIT
A MINUTE! WHAT'S THAT
NOISE BEHIND THAT
BAG?

GOT 'IM, CAP!
IT'S A BLOOD
SPY!

HOLD T
A LE!
HE'S NO
SPY!

SO YOU DECIDED TO COME ALONG,
ANYWAY, EH WERNER? OKAY YOU'LL
TAKE YOUR CHANCES WITH THE REST
OF US! AND I WARN YOU, WE'LL
HAVE NO COMPUNCTIONS ABOUT
YOU IF YOU GET IN OUR WAY!

I UNDERSTAND
PERFECTLY,
CAPTAIN!
I'LL TAKE
MY CHANCES!

HERE WE GO
BOYS!
THE PARTY
BEGINS!

RIGHT AFTER
YOU, CAP!

SO LONG I HAVE
WISHED TO GET
MY HANDS ON A
GERMAN, AND
NOW!

VOT A MISERABLE
NIGHT! NOT FIT
FOR A DOG-- UND
DEY PUT ME ON
GENTRY DUTY!

EASY, LARK IN!
REMEMBER WHAT
THE CAP SAID! NO
ROUGH PLAY UN-
LESS ABSOLUTE-
LY NECESSARY!

ALL RIGHT, M'LAD, I'LL
RELIEVE YOU OF
SENTRY DUTY-
FOREVER!

UGH!

NICE WORK, ALF! NOW IF WE CAN KEEP JUST AS
QUIET THE REST OF THE WAY! THOSE PLANS ARE AS
GOOD AS IN THE HANDS OF BRITISH INTELLIGENCE,
RIGHT NOW!

I'LL TALK ABOUT
OPERATION 'LOOK
UP' THEY'VE GOT
THE HANDS
NOW THE
MEN!

DONNER-
WETTER AND
THE MAN
HOLDING IT
IS WOLFE!

DIRTY FILTHY
BUTCHERS!
HOW I HATE
THEM!

JA, GENTLEMEN!
V'D DIS PLANE SOON
IN FULL PRODUCTION
VE'LL BLAST DER
ALLIES OUT OF
DER SKIES!

BLAST, WILL DES-
TROY! THAT'S ALL THOSE
BUTCHERS DO, I'LL DO
SOME KILLING MYSELF,
THIS TIME!

LARKIN, DON'T
LOSE YOUR
HEAD!

PLANS COMPLETELY OFFSET BY
NEW FRIENDLY OUTBURST THE
ALLIES ARE FORCED TO ATTACK!

LEBER GO!!!
COMMANDOS!

AND
AT EM
MEN!

SMACK

BAM

---AND IN THE TUMULTUOUS MELEE, ONE LONE, DWARFED FIGURE SCANS THROUGH THE PLANS WITH A FIERCE INTENSITY; FOR THOSE BLAZING EYES NOTHING IN THE WORLD EXISTS BUT A CONGLOMERATION OF FIGURES ON THE PAGES BEFORE HIM!

BACK TO THE PLANE MEN-- BEFORE THE WHOLE GERMAN ARMY'S ON OUR HEADS!

BACK IN THE PLANE---
BLIMEY! THAT BEASTLY LARKIN SPOILED THE WHOLE SHOW, HE DID!

LUCK LOS'N'G HIS HEAD THAT WAY!

FEAR-- AM I BOINED--
--UP!

AND BACK AT BRITISH INTELLIGENCE---

---AND SO SIR-- WE DID NOT ATTAIN OUR OBJECTIVE!

AH-- BUT YOU'RE WRONG THERE, CAPTAIN!

WHAT! YOU HAVE THOSE PLANS! WHERE ARE THEY?

RIGHT HERE--IN MY HEAD!

WHAT! YOU MEAN TO SAY YOU MEMORIZED THOSE COMPLICATED PLANS! PREPOSTEROUS!

I TOLD CAPTAIN COMMANDO THAT MY BRAIN HAD ITS PLACE IN HIS GROUP-- NOW I'LL PROVE IT! IF YOU'LL BE SO GOOD AS TO TAKE NOTES, GENERAL!

PHONOGRAPHICALLY, ZIEGLER REELS OFF THE COMPLEX FORMULAE AS SEEMINGLY ENDLESS TURRENT OF FACTS, FIGURES POUR FROM HIS LIPS AS THE GENERAL SCRIBBLES FURIOUSLY

THAT'S IT, ALL RIGHT! YOU'VE DONE IT! WERNER IT'S STILL ALMOST TOO INCREDIBLE TO BELIEVE-- THAT ANY MAN COULD HAVE MEMORIZED ALL THIS!

CONGRATULATIONS, WERNER!

THANK YOU, CAPTAIN COMMANDO, AND NOW FOR YOUR ANSWER! YOU'RE ONE OF US FROM HERE ON AND HOW! COMMANDO WERNER!

Archie

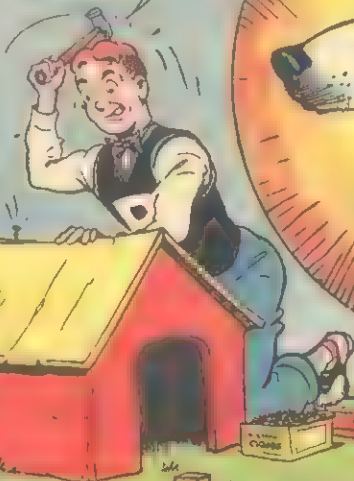
by
Montana

HELLO FOLKS!

I'M OSCAR ARCHIE'S
NEW DOG! 'COURSE I'M
NOT REALLY A TALKING
DOG, BUT I JUST WANTED
TO INTRODUCE MYSELF
BEFORE YOU READ THIS
STORY ABOUT HOW I
JOINED THE ANDREWS
FAMILY!!!

WHAT'CHA
BUILDIN' ARCHIE,
A BIRD
HOUSE?

NO, DOPE!
WHO EVER SAW
A BIRD THIS B.G!
I'M GOING
TO ADOPT A
DOG!



NOW THE
FINISHING TOUCH...
HIS NAME,
"OSCAR!"

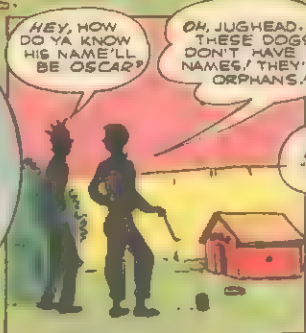
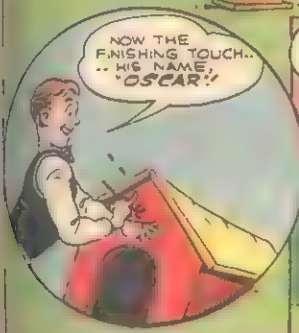
HEY, HOW
DO YA KNOW
HIS NAME'LL
BE OSCAR?

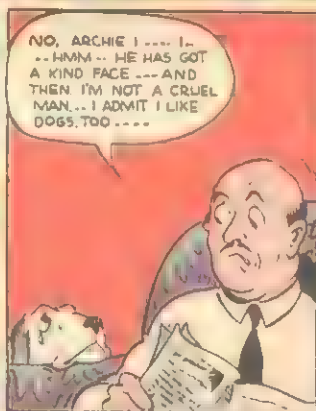
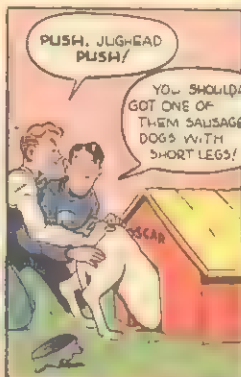
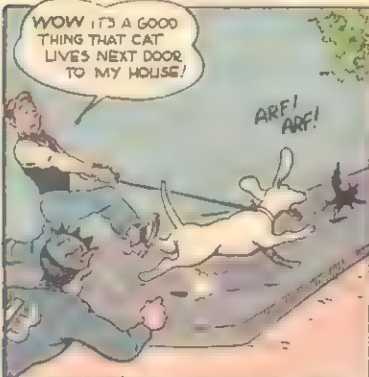
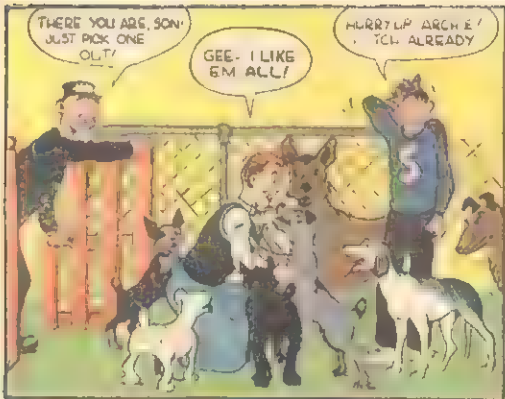
OH, JUGHEAD...
THESE DOGS
DON'T HAVE
NAMES! THEY'RE
ORPHANS!

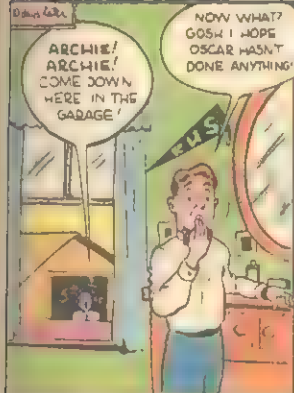
THE 'B DE A WEE
HOME
DOG POUND

HERE WE
ARE THE
'SIDE-A-WEE
HOME'

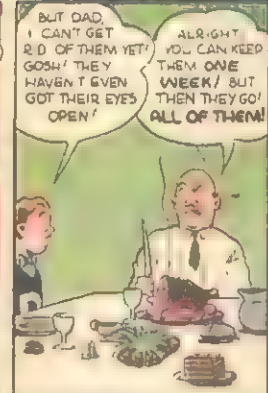
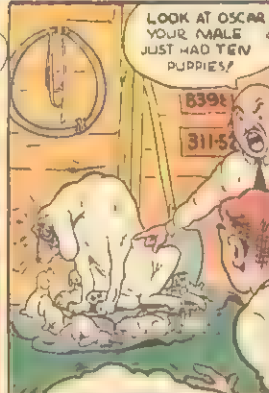
A FRENCH
JONT,
HUM?







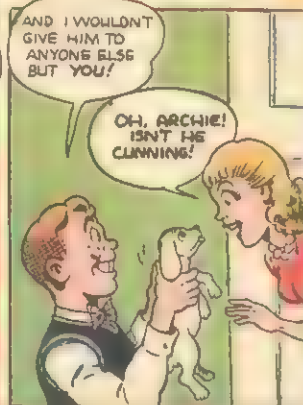
NOW WHAT?
GOSH I HOPE
OSCAR HASN'T
DONE ANYTHING!



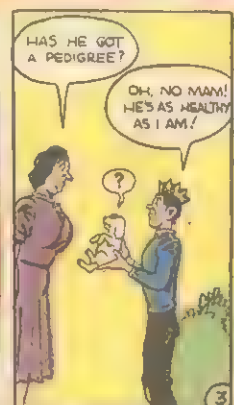
HEH, HEH! THE
LITTLE RASCALS
--- ALRIGHT
MOTHER, I'LL
TELL ARCHIE
LATER-- SAY!
WHERE'S MY
SLIPPERS?

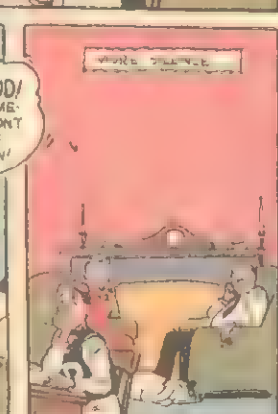
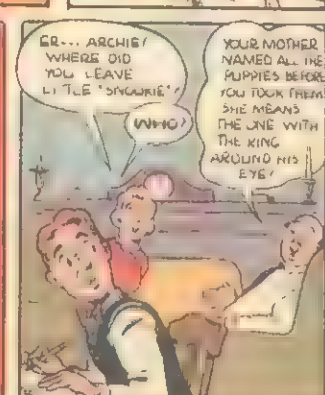
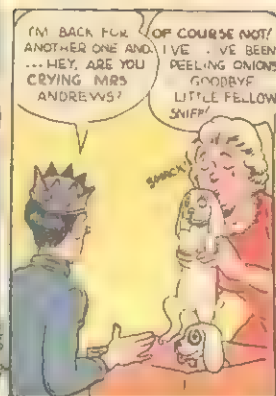
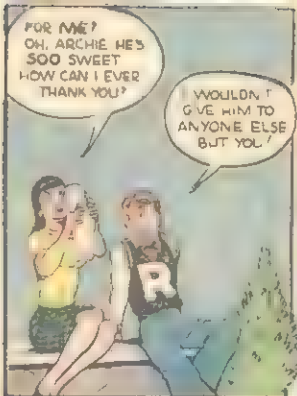


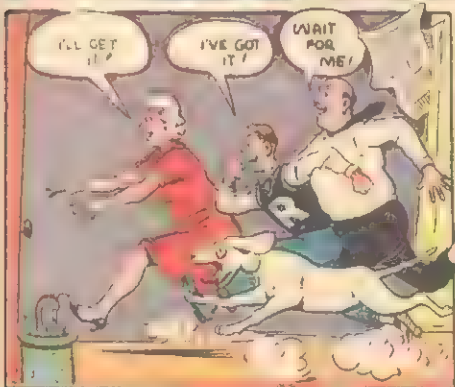
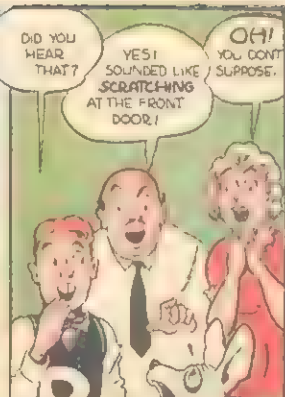
NEXT MORN
TAKE ONE AT
A TIME JUG,
AND WHEN YOU GET
RID OF HIM COME
BACK FOR ANOTHER.



AND I WOULDN'T
GIVE HIM TO
ANYONE ELSE
BUT YOU!

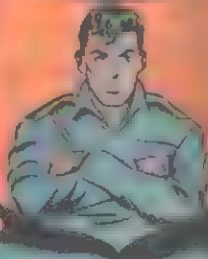




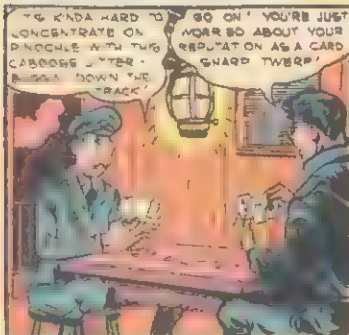


SERGEANT BOYLE

HUBBELL



SUPPORTING THE FIGHTING TANKS
IN NORTH AFRICA AN ALLIED
MUNITIONS TRAIN SPEEDS THROUGH
THE DESERT NIGHT





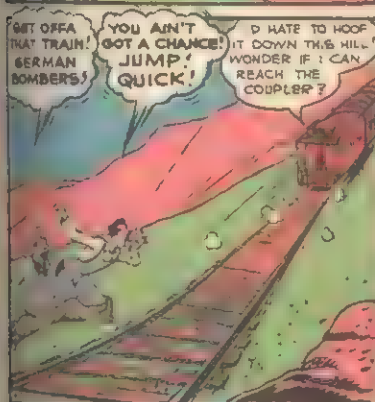
GP!! BLANK
WE'RE GOING TO
B-BE BOMBED!
OOOHHHHH!

C'MON, WE'LL
JUST HAVE TO
TAKE OUR
CHANCES AND
JUMP FOR IT!

BUT WHAT ABOUT
THE ENGINEER
AND FIREMAN?
WE CAN'T LEAVE
THEM TO BE BLOWN
UP!

GOOH!
I FORGOT
ABOUT
THEM!

HEY!
JUMP!
JUMP!

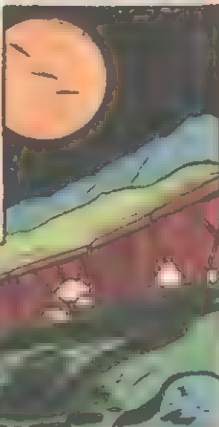


GET OFFA
THAT TRAIN!
GERMAN
BOMBERS!

YOU AIN'T
GOT A CHANCE!
JUMP!
QUICK!

I HATE TO HOOF
IT DOWN THIS HILL!
WONDER IF I CAN
REACH THE
COUPLER?

YEP! I CAN
JUST MAKE IT
WELL, SO LONG
LITTLE TRAIN.

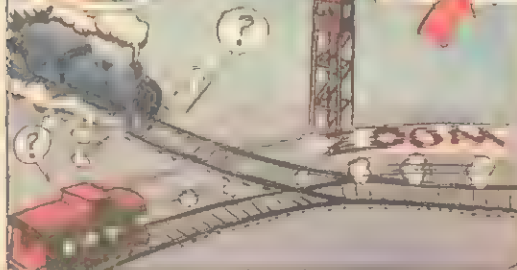
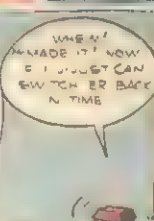
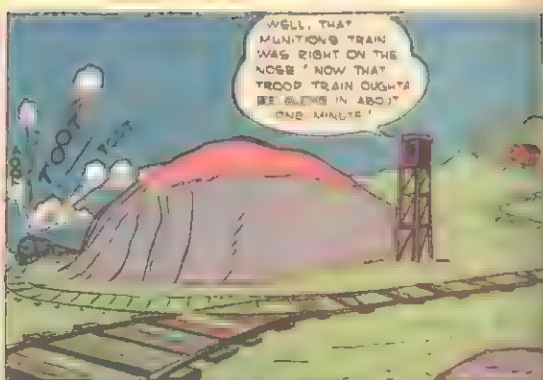


LOOK!
THE CABOOSE
& LOOSE! SHE
STOPPED! SHE'S
COMIN' BACK!

HERE WE
COME! GET
READY TO
JUMP ABOARD
AS WE COME
PAST!



I DON'T KNOW
WHERE WE'LL END
UP, BUT WE SURE
ARE GETTIN' THERE
FAST!



THE NEW YORK
SOCIETY THEY'LL
BOMB IT, TOO!

WELL HERE HERE
TILL THEY (BARK)
THEY'LL NEVER GO
I'LL BE THE
MOUNTAIN
(LAUGHING)

THESE ARE OUR
MOUNTAINS

THEY SA
TO TRAN
SEM #617
A75 WAS
BLASPHEMED THE
MOUTH TO ALL
IF OCCURAS
ABOUT VAG
BARE ON THE
AREA MANNA

THE NEAREST WINE
FELDS ARE MILES
AWAY, SO THEY MUST
HAVE PRETTY RELIABLE
INFORMATION 'WONDER
WHERE FROM?

DONT ASK ME
NO NATL FR ADE
AN ON OUR SP

**MEN! THAT WAS
A PRETTY CLOSE
SQUEAK WE JUST
HAD BUT WE'VE STILL
GOT TO GET THROUGH
TO OUR MAN PAGES.
EACH OF 'EM BEAR
A POK OR TWO—
WELL, MAYBE THE
TRACK CLEARED
IN NO TIME!**

THOSE BLANKETY-
BLANK HEINIES! THEY
GORE RUINED OUR
GAME AND ME WITH
ALL THOSE ACES!

BOY, WOULD I
LIKE TO GET MY
HANDS ON THE
SD. THAT'S BEEN
"GIVEN OUT THAT
NORMAN"!!
"WELL, THIS IS
A MESS."

I WOULD HAVE
 BEEN THAT VAPOR
 FACE BEFORE
 ANDREW
 WERE

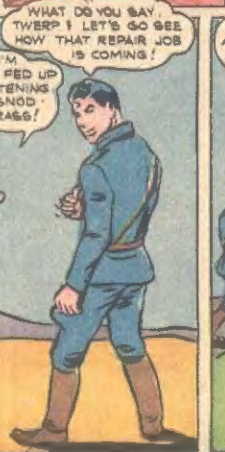
PROFESSOR
SNODGRASS!
HAVEN'T SEEN
YOU SINCE I
STUDIED CHEMISTRY
AT MARROW PREP!

AN YES! RE-OLTAG-
GROT! WAS T NOT?
SO YOU'RE A
CAPTAIN NOW!
HEH! 'TSK!
'TSK! 'TSK

WELL HERE WE
ARE 'THERE'S MY
ABODE 'A RETCHED
LITTLE HUT ISN'T
IT?

12-1-5

ALL AS LONG AS
YOU'RE HERE DROPP
THE TO THE ARMY
ATORY FOR A GROT
OF TEA





LOOK, BOYLE -
AN EGG!

WHAT'D YOU
EXPECT? PANCAKES
AND SAUSAGES?
BETTER BE CARE-
FUL!



SQOCK
SQOCK
SQOCK

WELL, I
WARNED
YOU!

WHAT'S HE SO
EXCITED ABOUT?
I DIDN'T TOUCH
HIS OLD EGG!



GOSH! HE'S
CATCHIN' UP
WITH ME!
OWWWW!



?

?



GOOD!
HE'S GOIN'
AWAY! THAT
WAS CLOSE!

SQOCK



TWERP!
HEY, TWERP!
WHERE ARE
YOU?

H'YA, SARGE!
HERE I AM!



YOU COULD HAVE AT
LEAST RUN THE WAY
WE WERE GOING! NOW
WE'LL HAVE TO GO
ALL THE WAY BACK,
AND SAY, WHICH
WAY IS BACK?

DARNED
IF I
KNOW!
LISTEN!
I HEAR
VOICES!



LOOK, IT'S
A CAMP!
MAYBE THEY
CAN TELL US
WHERE WE
ARE!

WAIT!
TAKE IT EASY!
LISTEN!



FOR FIVE WEEKS VE
BEEN IN DIS VERFLUCHTE
DESERT OBSERVING DER
AMERICAN TROOP MOVE-
MENTS! WHY DON'T OUR
REPLACEMENTS COME!

WHERE
IS DER
COOK?
SEND
HIM IN!



SO DERE YOU
ARE! I'M HUNGRY!
COOK ME SOME
EGGS!

SORRY, MEIN
KAPITAN, VE
HAFF NO EGGS!

NO EGGS?
THEN MAKE
ME SOME
SAUERBRATEN!

VE ALSO HAFF
NO SAUERBRATEN!
IN FACT DER FOOD
IS ALL GONE!

SO THAT'S WHERE ALL THAT INFO IS LEAKING FROM! THEY RADIO IT DIRECT TO THEIR HEADQUARTERS!



BACK AT THE LAB. BOYLE AND TWERP FIND PROF. SNOODGRASS TAKING A NAP... I PUNCHED A HOLE IN EACH END! BLOW THE EGG OUT, TWERP, WHILE I GET THE T.N.T.!



THE DIRTY SPIES! IF WE HAD A FEW MORE ROUNDS OF AMMUNITION, WE COULD PICK 'EM OFF FROM HERE!

TOO MANY OF 'EM FOR THAT, BUT HAVE AN IDEA THAT MIGHT WORK! LET'S GO BACK AND FIND THAT OSTRICH EGG!



HERE SHE IS! GUESS THAT OSTRICH IS STILL OUT GUN-NIN' FOR YOU, TWERP?

YES! LET'S GET OUT OF HERE BEFORE SHE COMES BACK!



SLOOFFT! GLUGGS! UGH!



NO! NO! DON'T DRINK IT, YOU DOPE! BLOW!

GAAA! IT GURE TASTES AWFUL!



THIS'LL BE TICKLEH TO CARRY! SEE IF YOU CAN DIS UP A BLANKET TO WRAP IT UP IN!



OLD MAN SNOODGRASS GURE CAN SLEEP! I SWIPED THIS BLANKET OFF HIM AN' HE DIDN'T EVEN MOVE!



I'LL SNEAK AROUND TO THE OTHER SIDE AN' HOWL LIKE A DOG! WHEN THEY GO AFTER ME, YOU DROP THE EGG OFF!

RIGHTO! LOOK OUT THEY DON'T CATCH YOU, BOYLE!



A FEW MINUTES LATER



